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**MEMORANDUM FOR** Secretaries of the Military Departments  
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff  
Director of Defense Research and Engineering  
Assistant Secretaries of Defense  
General Counsel  
Assistants to the Secretary of Defense  
Directors of the Defense Agencies

**SUBJECT:** DoD Organizational Changes - Mapping, Charting,  
and Geodesy

**References:** (a) Presidential Memorandum of November 5, 1971;  
Subject: Organization and Management of the  
U. S. Foreign Intelligence Community  
(b) SecDef Memorandum of November 10, 1971;  
Subject: DoD Organizational Changes

In reference (a) President Nixon directed consolidation of DoD mapping, charting, and geodetic (MC&G) operations under a single Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) to obtain optimum efficiency and economy without impairing legitimate requirements of the separate Services. In reference (b) I directed the ASD(Comptroller) to develop a plan which would accomplish this reorganization.

I have reviewed his proposed plan and considered the views of Defense components affected by this consolidation. Accordingly, I have determined:

1. Defense Mapping Agency will be established as a separate agency reporting through the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the Secretary of Defense.
2. The ASD(Comptroller) will have primary responsibility for staff review and financial management of MC&G programs at Office, Secretary of Defense level.

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3. DoD MC&G functions and resources will be consolidated as follows:

a. Defense Intelligence Agency (MC&G) -- consolidate under DMA.

b. Military Departments' Headquarters Staffs -- consolidate under DMA. However, retention of some expertise in these areas is appropriate. Specific resources to be transferred will be established by the Director, DMA in conjunction with the individual Military Departments.

c. Army Topographic Command -- consolidate under DMA.

d. Aeronautical Chart and Information Center -- consolidate under DMA.

e. Office of the Navy Oceanographer (MC&G activities) -- consolidate resources devoted exclusively to MC&G under DMA. The Director, DMA and the Navy Oceanographer will negotiate transfer of resources which support both MC&G and oceanographic functions and develop cross-servicing arrangements to insure effective continuation of each program.

f. 1st Geodetic Survey Squadron of ACGS and the MC&G element of the 15th Reconnaissance Technical Squadron -- consolidate under DMA.

g. RDT&E -- retain in the Services.

h. Data Collection (including technical equipment operation and maintenance) -- retain in the Services. DMA and the Services will monitor this arrangement with a view to selective revision as required.

i. Navy Satellite Geophysics Project -- consolidate under DMA.

j. Army Topographic Battalions, MC&G elements of Air Force Reconnaissance Technical Units, and Marine Topographic Platoons -- retain in the Services.

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k. Inter-American Goodetic Survey -- consolidate under DMA.

l. Department of Topography, Army Engineer School -- consolidate under DMA.

m. Special Security Offices supporting MC&G activities -- consolidate under DMA.

n. Long-term full time training resources for civilian personnel -- consolidate under DMA.

4. The Navy Oceanographer's statutory responsibilities under USC Title 10, Chapter 639, Sections 7391, 7392, 7393, 7394 will be transferred to DMA.

5. The Director, DMA will serve as program manager and coordinator of all DoD MC&G resources and activities.

6. The Director, DMA will be military at the O-9 level. The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff is requested to submit to me his nominees for the position.

7. DMA civilian personnel will be hired under the career service except when specific positions warrant excepted treatment on a selective basis.


8. Each Military Department and DIA (MC&G) will provide to the Director, DMA ten people on a temporary basis to assist him in developing his organizational structure, internal operating procedures, cross-servicing agreements, and substantive program changes during the transition.

The ASD(Comptroller) will assist the Director, DMA and monitor progress with respect to implementation of these decisions. During this transition MC&G activities should continue without interruption -- implementation should be accomplished by July 1, 1972.

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Attached are supplementary guidelines regarding relationships between the DMA and other DoD components. These guidelines will be followed as internal operating procedures and cross-service working agreements are developed.

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Supplementary Guidelines on Relationships

1. DMA will interface closely with DIA and other members of the intelligence community to assure responsiveness to intelligence needs for MC&G support, and conversely, the needs for intelligence support to MC&G operations.
2. DMA will establish MC&G requirements for intelligence collection support and levy them on DIA for fulfillment.
3. DMA will maintain continuing close liaison with the military doctrine and weapons systems development of DoD components to insure the timely development of MC&G products and services to support new systems when they become available for introduction.
4. DMA will provide MC&G technical advisory and specialized survey support as required by DoD Weapons Systems Managers, Test Ranges, and other DoD components.
5. DMA will work closely with DIA and with the JCS to insure that terrain data, developed in surveying and mapping operations and processed into MC&G data bases, are compatible with DIA needs for intelligence production and with JCS requirements for environmental data.
6. DMA and DIA will maintain a close working relationship to insure effective continuation of the Air Target Materials Program.
7. DMA will establish requirements for data from overhead reconnaissance systems used for MC&G production operations. DMA will participate in COMIREX when MC&G-related matters are being considered. DMA will chair a COMIREX MC&G working group to coordinate DoD requirements for data support of MC&G with those of non-DoD agencies and to facilitate the interface between MC&G and other national collection requirements.

8. DMA will provide technical staff support to the U. S. Board on Geographic Names, and, through the Board, to the Secretary of Interior in carrying out his responsibility for geographic names standardization.

9. DMA will utilize DIA aerial photography library services. Cartographic aerial photography obtained by DMA for MC&G purposes will be furnished to DIA. During the period when the original negative is in use in DMA, a duplicate will be furnished to DIA for servicing other library customers.

10. DMA will develop the DoD policy guidance and provide advice to the Oceanographer of the Navy for DoD MC&G matters relative to the performance of his function as the Federal Coordinator for Ocean Mapping and Prediction.

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Mapping, Charting, and Geodesy

Function	FY 73 Projected \$	FY 73 Projected Personnel		
		Mil	Civ	Total
<u>DIA (M&amp;C)</u>	1,902,000	25	60	85
<u>Army</u>				
HQ Staff	523,000	4	22	26
TOPOCOM	60,347,000	38	3,743	3,781
RDT&E	11,260,000	37	302	339
TOPO School	1,974,000	169	33	202
Field Topo Units	10,627,000	1,298	12	1,310
Inter-Amer Geodetic Survey	2,781,000	8	146	154
Special Security	368,000	36	-	36
Training	8,000	-	-	-
	87,888,000	1,590	4,258	5,848
<u>Navy</u>				
HQ Staff	43,000	-	3	3
NAVOCEANO	33,265,000	105	1,820	1,925
RDT&E	3,172,000	-	29	29
Data Collection (ships, aircraft, equip. maint.)	20,464,000	279	70	349
Satellite Tracking	3,118,000	-	8	8
Fld Topo Unit (Marines)	365,000	52	-	52
Special Security	226,000	-	15	15
Training	2,000	-	-	-
	60,655,000	436	1,945	2,381
<u>Air Force</u>				
HQ Staff	107,000	3	4	7
ACIC	62,331,000	291	3,422	3,713
RDT&E	6,108,000	4	32	36
Aerospace Carto and Geodetic Service	10,219,000	601	53	654
Recon Tech Units (MC&G elem.)	5,622,000	662	11	673
Special Security	39,000	2	1	3
Training	175,000	-	-	-
	84,601,000	1,563	3,523	5,086
<u>TOTAL</u>	235,046,000	3,614	9,786	13,400

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